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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

The attached Form PTO-1449 lists documents which may be considered to be material to the above-identified application by the Patent Examiner. Copies of any foreign patent documents and non patent literature identified in the attached form are enclosed. A translation or a concise explanation of each non-English language document is additionally enclosed herewith and is believed to be an accurate translation or concise explanation of the same. Entry into the record is respectfully requested.

This Statement is submitted in accordance with:

- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.97(b): [within 3 months of filing or prior to 1st Office Action]
- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.97(c): [after the period specified in paragraph (b) of this section but before Final Office Action or Allowance, whichever is earlier]; and
  - ☐ The required statement made below according to 37 CFR § 1.97(e); or
  - ☐ The \$180.00 fee specified in 37 CFR § 1.17(p) for submission of this Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.97(d): [after the period specified in paragraph (c) of this section and before or together with the issue fee payment]; and

- 1) The required Statement made below according to 37 CFR § 1.97(e); and
- 2) The \$180.00 fee specified in 37 CFR 1.17(p) for submission of this Information Disclosure Statement.

☒ 37 CFR § 1.97(e) Statement

☒ Each item of information in this Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement; or

☐ No item of information contained in this Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the person signing this document after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) more than three (3) months prior to the filing of this Statement.

☐ No Statement

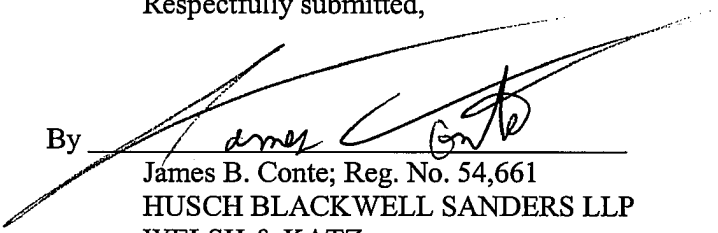
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In the judgment of the undersigned, portions of the references listed herein may be material to the examination of the pending claims. However, the references have not been reviewed in sufficient detail to make any other representation and, in particular, no representation is intended as to the relative importance of any portion of the references or to whether the references are considered "analogous art." This Statement is not a representation that the cited references have effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. Section 102 or 103. This Statement shall not be construed as an admission that the statement or cited references are, or are considered to be, material to the patentability under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97(h).

Respectfully submitted,

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